

In the Claims:

5. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device for securing a suture to a suture attachment site in a patient comprising:

a body having a suture entrance and a suture exit;

a motive suture delivery mechanism disposed within said body; and,

said motive suture delivery mechanism including a sensory feedback element indicative of delivery of said suture to said suture attachment site.

6. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 5, wherein said sensory feedback element is an audible tone.

7. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 6, wherein said audible tone is a changing audible tone.

8. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 7, wherein said changing audible tone is generated by said motive suture delivery mechanism.

9. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 8 wherein said motive suture delivery mechanism includes a battery powered motor.

10. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 5 wherein the body is sized and shaped to anchor the suture on a posterior portion of a patient's pubic bone.

11. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 5, wherein said sensory feedback element is a visual indicator.

12. (Amended) A device [according to claim 11,] for securing a suture to a suture attachment site in a patient comprising:

a body having a suture entrance and a suture exit;

a motive suture delivery mechanism disposed within said body;

said motive suture delivery mechanism including a sensory feedback element  
indicative of delivery of said suture to said suture attachment site;

wherein said sensory feedback element is a visual indicator and

wherein said visual indicator includes cessation of twisting of said suture.

13. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A method of securing a suture to a suture attachment site in a patient comprising:

identifying a suture attachment site in said patient;

directing said suture proximate to said site;

initiating delivery of said suture to said site;

awaiting sensory indication of delivery of said suture to said suture attachment site;

discontinuing said delivery of said suture upon receiving said sensory indication.

14. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A method as set forth in claim 13, wherein said receiving of said sensory indication includes receiving an audible tone.

15. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A method as set forth in claim 13, wherein said receiving of said sensory indication includes receiving a change in said audible tone.

16. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A method as set forth in claim 13, wherein said receiving of said sensory indication includes observing a visual indicator.

17. (Amended) A method [as set forth in claim 16,] of securing a suture to a suture attachment site in a patient comprising:

identifying a suture attachment site in said patient;

directing said suture proximate to said site;

initiating delivery of said suture to said site;

awaiting sensory indication of delivery of said suture to said suture attachment site;

discontinuing said delivery of said suture upon receiving said sensory indication,

wherein said receiving of said sensory indication includes observing a visual indicator, and

wherein said receiving of said sensory indication includes observing a substantial cessation of suture twisting.

18. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device for delivering a bone anchor with an associated suture to a patient, the device comprising:

a body that is sized and shaped to deliver the anchor and associated suture to a posterior portion of a patient's pubic bone through a vaginal incision,

the device having a suture entrance and a suture exit;

a bone anchor delivery mechanism associated with said body; and,

the device including a sensory feedback element indicative of delivery of said bone anchor with associated suture to the posterior portion of the patient's pubic bone.

19. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 18, wherein the bone anchor includes a bone screw.

20. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 18, wherein said sensory feedback element is an audible tone.

21. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 20, wherein said audible tone is a changing audible tone.

22. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 21, wherein said changing audible tone is generated by said bone anchor delivery mechanism.

23. (Original From Preliminary Amendment) A device according to claim 18, wherein said sensory feedback element is a visual indicator.

24. (Amended) A device [according to claim 23,] for delivering a bone anchor with an associated suture to a patient, the device comprising:

a body that is sized and shaped to deliver the anchor and associated suture to a posterior portion of a patient's pubic bone through a vaginal incision,

the device having a suture entrance and a suture exit;

a bone anchor delivery mechanism associated with said body; and,

the device including a sensory feedback element indicative of delivery of said bone anchor with associated suture to the posterior portion of the patient's pubic bone;

wherein said sensory feedback element is a visual indicator, and

wherein said visual indicator includes cessation of twisting of said suture.